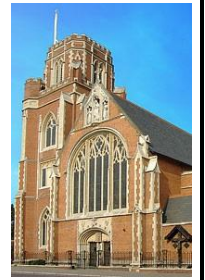




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Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

4th November 2018

You are not far from the Kingdom of God

Mass Times

- 3rd Sat Feria**
 9.30 Mary Kate Brickley +
 10.00 Confessions
 17.30 Michael Lamb +
- 4th Sun Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 10.00 Deceased members of the Lewis Family +
 15.00 (Royal Hospital) *People of the Parish*
- 5th Mon Feria**
 9.30 Ged Naughton +
- 6th Tue Feria**
 9.30 Sister M. Magdalen O'Donovan +
- 7th Wed Dedication of Southwark Cathedral**
 9.30 David Marland +
- 8th Thu Feria**
 9.30 Johannah Marland +
- 9th Fri Dedication of the Lateran Basilica**
 9.30 Emanuel Anderson +
- 10th Sat St Leo the Great**
 9.30 Nora Anderson +
 10.00 Confessions
 17.30 Giuseppe Vanedola +
- 11th Sun Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time**
 10.00 James and Ann Lyons +
 15.00 (Royal Hospital) *People of the Parish*

Confessions:

Saturday 10.15-11.00 and at call

Sunday Readings: Year B **Weekday Readings:** Year 2

Cycle of Prayer, Autumn:

Harvest, Fruits of Human Work, Reverent Use of Creation, Students and Teachers, Spread of the Gospel, Justice and Peace in the World, Prisoners and their Families, All Victims of War, Young People

Next Week's Liturgy Group: Matthew Team

Baptisms & Marriages: Please contact the Parish Priest



Seven Wonders

A group of students were asked to list what they thought were the present-day Seven Wonders of the World. Though there were some disagreements the following received the most votes: 1. Egypt's Great Pyramids, 2. Taj Mahal, 3. Grand Canon, 4. Panama Canal, 5. Empire State Building, 6. St Peter's Basilica, 7. The Great Wall of China.

While gathering the notes, the teacher noticed that one student had not finished her paper yet so she asked the girl if she was having trouble with her list. 'Yes, a little,' she replied. 'I couldn't quite make up my mind because there were so many.'

'Well, tell us what you have,' said the teacher, 'and maybe we can help.' The girl hesitated and then read: 'I think the Seven Wonders of the World are: 1. To see, 2. To hear, 3. To touch, 4. To taste, 5. To feel, 6. To laugh, 7. To love.'

Sometimes the things we overlook as simple and ordinary and that we take for granted are truly wondrous.



November The Month of the Holy Souls

Please take an envelope from the back of the Church and return it with a list of deceased relatives and friends who you wish to be prayed for during the month of November. The list will be placed on the altar and the names included in all the masses during the Month of the Holy Souls.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen

First Holy Communion

First Holy Communion classes start this Sunday after the 10.00 mass in the Corry Hall. First Holy Communion will be celebrated on Sunday 12th May at 12.00.

**You learn nothing by experience
You learn only
through reflecting on experience**

Catholic Legacy Week 1st-7th November

Gifts in your Last Will are a wonderful way you can continue to support your Parish. Do please consider a gift to the Church when you next update your Will. Explanatory leaflets are available.

Calling all Catholic Men

Your local Catenian Circle is expanding! Our aim is to provide a social network which helps Catholic lay men live out their various vocations as husband, father, friend, work colleague, committed Christian and active Catholic. Further material about the Association and its work is available at the back of Church. To learn more please email local member Stephen Palmer crispinjudeme.com.

Eucharistic Congress

Steve Palmer and Peter Kosasih represented our parish at the National Eucharistic Congress in Liverpool from 7th to 9th September. Their report is on the noticeboard at the back of the Church. We will discuss the implications of the Congress for our parish at the Parish Council on Tuesday 27th November at 19.30. The meeting is open to all so please come along and share your views.

**Courage is what it takes
to stand up and speak,
it is also what it takes to sit and listen**

Forthcoming Dates

Parish Council27th November
Penitential Service.....17th December
Carol Service 21st December
Feast of St Thomas à Becket.....29th December
Confirmation.....28th April
First Communion 12th May



Remembrance Day

Next Sunday is Remembrance Day and we will cross the road after mass on Sunday morning for an Act of Remembrance together with the Fire Brigade.

Sunday Coffee

Because First Communion classes start today in the Corry Hall the Sunday Coffee will be served in the Atrium and the Priest's House.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Confirmation classes already started this Saturday at 16.00. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be conferred on Sunday 28th April.

Father John O'Toole

Father John O'Toole will be celebrating his 40th anniversary of ordination at St Boniface, Tooting on Friday 9th November with mass at 18.30. He served in this parish for several years and is known to many.

Seniors Club

We are looking for a helper to co-ordinate and manage the Seniors Club as from January 2019. If you help please contact the parish office

**Volunteers don't get paid,
not because they're worthless,
but because they're priceless**

Last Week's Finances

Parish Collection £458 Bankers Orders £384

Upcoming Second Collections

11th November Archbishop's Administration Fund,
25th November Catholic Youth Work.

Rotas

Sunday Welcome & Coffee: A Oliva, E Falcone n/w
F Azevedo, M Figueiredo

Readers: Sat: N Nolan, S Vas, E De Souza Sun:
T Brown, A Harris, A Stacey n/w Sat: C Wilkins,
E De Souza, H Pall; Sun: G Fayers, C McCarthy

Eucharistic Ministers: Sat: J Cato, D McGavin,
C Kawesi Sun: A Nobis, R Nwodo, P Fahy,
R McMullan n/w Sat: D McGavin, K Dolan Sun:
G Donaldson, S Palmer, R Kuleke, D Lyons

Little Church: R&S Jackson n/w A Kane Blanes
C Webb

Tiny Church: R Barros n/w J Bronicka Anderson

Flowers: A Oliva n/w L Northeast

Royal Hospital: A Robbins n/w Sr Pauline

Maintenance Team: 11.00 10th November